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In re application of:	Davis et al.		
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FOR:	NUMA System Resource Descriptors Including Performance Characteristics	Examiner:	Portka, G.

Interview Summary

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the Examiner's Interview Summary dated August 10, 2007, Applicants hereby submit a summary of the interview.

On August 2, 2007, Applicants' Attorney and Primary Examiner Portka met for a telephone interview. There was no exhibit or demonstration of the invention provided. The claims discussed during the interview included outstanding claims 1-13 and 16-28, and more specifically the rejection under 35 U.S.C. §103(a).

This interview took place following submission of a Request for Continued Examination. It was discussed how the prior reference to *Elnozahy et al.* does not apply as a prior art reference. In addition, it was further discussed whether the amendment to the claims submitted in the Request for Continued Examination would place the application in condition for allowance. The Examiner indicated that he would have preferred to have the claim amended to require that the

first and second descriptors be produced by the same firmware. At the same time, the Examiner was not comfortable amending the claims prior to updating the search. The option of submitting a Preliminary Amendment to the claims was not provided as the Examiner indicated he was scheduled to act on the application immediately. The Examiner indicated that he would update the search, likely issue an Office Action, and would accept scheduling an interview within the time period allotted for submission of a response to a Non-Final Office Action.

Respectfully submitted,

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